

Application Ser. No. 10/637,888

Title: INDUSTRIAL TANK SUPPORT

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Amendment Responsive to Office Action of September 3, 2004

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 8 as follows:

In preferred embodiments, the tank support is rotationally molded of synthetic resin material which is resistant to many corrosive chemicals. Further, the tank support may be hollow, with the legs in fluid communication with the hollow interior of the platform. In this way, water, sand or the like may be poured into the tank support for use as ballast as an anchoring aid. The platform is preferably configured with a recess on at least one of the first and second surfaces which is complementary to the diameter of the tank to be received thereon, which recess serves as a stabilization and locating aid for a tank with a sloped bottom wall. Moreover, the platform may most preferably be provided with interior upright walls extending between the first and second surfaces and most preferably located proximate to the legs for enhanced strengthening of the platform.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 10 as follows:

The platform 14 is preferably unitary with the legs 12 so that the tank support 10 is substantially molded in one piece. The platform wall 28 includes the first surface 20 and the second surface 22 and the chamber 30 therebetween. An outer wall 54 extends between the legs 12 and has a plurality of substantially planar wall segments 55. The outer wall 54 is positioned whereby each wall segment 55 of the outer wall is substantially tangent to the sidewall 28 of the legs 12 between which the segment is located. The platform wall ~~[[28]]~~ 24 also preferably includes a central passage 56 defined by a center wall 62 which may be substantially circular as illustrated, whereby an outlet for a tank received thereon may be located in the passage 56 for dispensing liquid from the tank 16 with the outlet located above the floor 18. The platform 14 also includes a plurality of portals 58 positioned adjacent the legs 12 and extending inwardly toward the central passage 56. The portals 58 are open between the first surface 20 and the second surface 22 and have upright interior walls 60 which serve not only to enclose the chamber 30 but also to provide support between the ~~firsts~~ first surface and the second surface to enhance the load bearing capability of the platform 14.